# MENAI BRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## ANNUAL REPORT

of the

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year

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Incorporating the report of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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## GENERAL STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Area in Acres .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 825 |
| Population (Registrar General's mid 1971 estimate) .. .. .. | 2,570 |
| Number of inhabited houses .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1,000 |
| Number of Council houses .. .. .. .. .. .. | 234 |
| Rateable Value as at 31.3.71 .. .. .. .. .. .. | £95,035 |
| Sum produced by the Penny Rate as at 31.3.71 .. .. .. | £864 |

## VITAL STATISTICS

| Live Births | Male | Female | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 17 | 17 | 34 |
| Illegitimate | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| | 19 | 18 | 37 |

The Birth rate per 1,000 population was 14.4. Rates for previous years were 1970 - 14.4; 1968 - 20.1; 1967 - 12.6; 1966 - 19.0. The Birth Rate for Anglesey in 1971 was 18.0; England and Wales - 16.0.

The adjusted Birth Rate for Menai Bridge was 16.4.

| Stillbirths | Male | Female |
|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 1 | - |

Deaths

| Male | Female | Total |
|---|---|---|
| 11 | 12 | 23 |

The Death Rate per 1,000 population was 8.9. The Rate for Anglesey was 12.2. England and Wales - 11.6.

The adjusted Death Rate for Menai Bridge was 9.0 and for Anglesey was 10.7.

Maternal Deaths

Nil

Deaths of Infants under one year of age

Nil

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age

Nil

Deaths of Infants under 1 week of age

Nil

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TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (ALL AGES)

| CAUSE OF DEATH | MALE | FEMALE |
|---|---|---|
| Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach | - | 1 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus | - | 1 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Prostrate | 1 | - |
| Other Malignant Neoplasms | - | 1 |
| Diabetes Mellitus | - | 1 |
| Anaemias | 1 | 1 |
| Hypertensive Disease | 1 | 1 |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease | 2 | 2 |
| Other forms of heart disease | 1 | 1 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease | - | 1 |
| Other Diseases of circulatory system | 1 | - |
| Pneumonia | 2 | - |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema | 1 | - |
| Cirrhosis of liver | 1 | - |
| Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System | - | 2 |
| TOTAL | 11 | 12 |

## Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases

### Notifiable disease (excluding Tuberculosis)

Table showing cases notified during the year, classigied into age groups

| DISEASE | -1 | 1+ | 2+ | 3+ | 4+ | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-24 | 25+ | ? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Measles | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 6 | | 1 | |
| Jaundice | | 1 | | | | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | |
| Scarlet Fever | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Whooping Cough | | | | | | 1 | | | | |

### Tuberculosis

Nil

### Vaccination and Immunisation

These services are provided by the County Council and by General Practitioners in the District.

### Vaccination against Tuberculosis

B.C.G. vaccination is carried out by the Chest Physician in collaboration with the County Medical Officer and his staff. The scheme provides for the vaccination of new born infants born into tuberculosis households and of tuberculin negative contacts of known cases.

### National Assistance Act, 1948

No action was taken in respect of any individual under Section 47 of this Act.

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### GENERAL STATISTICS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Area in acres | = | 825 |
| Population (Est. mid 1971) | = | 2570 |
| Number of inhabited houses | = | 1000 |
| Number of Council owned dwellings | = | 234 |
| Rateable value 31.3.71. | = | £95,035 |
| Product of a one penny rate at 31.3.71. | = | £864 |
| Number of Council Houses | = | 199 |
| Number of flats for the aged | = | 27 |
| Number of bungalows for the aged | = | 8 |
| Number of new houses and flats erected during the year | = | 8 |
| Number of Standard Improvement Grants approved | = | 9 |
| Number of Discretionary Grants approved | = | 7 |

### Refuse Collection.

A weekly collection of refuse was maintained throughout the year from all properties within the Urban District. Few problems in administrati of the service arose.

### Refuse Disposal.

The refuse tip situated at Refail Newydd which has caused so much concern in the past years is now closed. Problems of acquisition of final covering material do however continue to give cause for concern.

The new refuse tip at Penhesgyn Gors, opened early in 1970 is provided and operated as a result of a joint Scheme involving the Beaumaris Borough Council, the Aethwy R.D.C. and Menai Bridge U.D.C. and I would wish to record my thanks to my brother officers in those Authorities and especially Mr. Burroughs and Mr. Wilkes of Aethwy R.D.C. for their hard work which has resulted in such a successful scheme.

I have full confidence in the capability of this joint scheme to satisfy the needs of this part of the Island for many years.

### Sewerage & Sewage Disposal.

No major alterations took place during the year. No problems arose regarding the four crude sewage outfalls which discharge to the Menai Strait but nevertheless, design work continued on the new Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme, and discussions continued with the various bodies having an interest in the proposed new outfall to the Strait.

### Public Conveniences.

The new public conveniences adjoining the library opened early in 1970 suffered from several acts of vandalism and continuing minor acts of damage or disfigurement have taken place. The premises have nevertheless been kept in a satisfactory state. The conveniences at Bridge End continue to serve the needs in that area. At the time of writing I have high hopes that the coming year will see the provision of a small set of conveniences to serve the Bowling Green/Porth Wrach area and consideration must also be given to the possibility of providing toilets in the Town Centre, preferably in the High Street Car Park.

Food Hygiene.

Hotels, cafes and food premises have been inspected during the year, but it is hoped considerably more time will be available in the future so that this important work can be tackled in a more systematic and thorough manner.

Ice Cream.

By far the bulk of ice cream sold within the District is prepacked, the small amount of unpacked being sold by mobile vendors. It is hoped that more time will be availalbe for routine bacteriological sampling in future than hitherto.

Rodent Control.

Rodent control in domestic properties continued to be carried out by the Council's rodent operator. Control in sewers continues to be carried out by a private company on a contract basis.

Factories Act.

The number of factories in which Section 1 - 6 are enforced by the Local Authority remained at sixteen. Fourteen inspections were made, no defects of particular note were found.

Offices, Shops & Railway Premises.

Regular inspections of the 89 registered premises continued during the year.

Swimming Pool.

There is no swimming pool within the District.

Water Supplies.

All houses in the built-up area of the District are served by a mains water supply provided by the Anglesey County Council. There are a few properties in the outlying areas which rely on wells and springs.

Building Control.

Inspections required by the Building Regulations are carried out by the Department, there being only 8 new properties erected during the year.

Petroleum Storage.

Seven premises were licensed for the storage of petroleum spirit during the year, the total amount of petrol stored in the Town being 39,450 gallons. Some of the tanks are believed to be over twenty years old and testing will need to be carried out in future years to verify their good condition before renewal of licences.

General.

I wish to record my thanks to all members of my Department, especially Miss Dawson, and to the Clerk of the Council and his staff for the ready and willing co-operation during the year. Finally may I express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their ready support at all times.

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